

Streamers, cable fight for share of consumers' TV time

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Share of Time Spent With TV in US, by Platform, June 2023 % of total

Streaming	37.7%
-YouTube	8.8%
-Netflix	8.2%
—Hulu	3.5%
—Amazon Prime Video	3.2%
-Disney+	2.0%
—Max	1.4%
—Tubi	1.4%
—Peacock	1.2%
-Paramount+	1.0%
—Roku Channel	1.0%
Pluto TV	0.9%
-Other	5.1%
Cable	30.6%
Broadcast	20.8%
Other	10.9%
Note: ages 2+; streaming category excludes "linear Live; numbers may not add up to 100% due to roun Source: Nielsen as cited in company blog, July 18, 2	ding
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Key stat: Over one-third (37.7%) of US consumers' time spent with TV is with streaming services, per Nielsen. Cable is not far behind, with a 30.6% share of consumers' TV time.

Beyond the chart:

- Though streaming earns the largest share of consumers' attention, when you break it down by platform, time spent is quite fragmented.
- YouTube (8.8%) just barely edges out Netflix (8.2%) when it comes to share, but not in terms of daily time spent on the platform. In fact, Netflix viewers will spend 11 more minutes a day on Netflix than YouTube viewers will spend on YouTube this year, according to our forecast.

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- Allocate TV ad spend.
- Advocate for diversity in TV ad spend.

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Note: Starting Feb 2023, viewing that occurs through MVPD and vMVPD (virtual/multichannel video programming distributor) streaming apps (e.g., YouTube TV, Hulu Live, DirecTV, Charter/Spectrum), which primarily deliver live broadcast and cable programming, are no longer under the streaming category. Viewing to broadcast and cable content has always been reflected in the corresponding broadcast or cable category, including viewing that occurs via MVPD/vMVPD apps. Since May 2023, content streamed via a cable set-top box that is identified as a "streaming original" is credited to the appropriate streaming service, and by extension, the overall streaming category and is no longer in the "other" category.



